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The first meeting of the Mother's Club for the year 1931-32 was held Thursday afternoon, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at the home of Mrs. Lura Parsons with an attendance of ten members and <sup>three</sup> two children.

The meeting was opened by the retiring president, Mrs. Brown, who conducted the short business meeting which consisted of the reading of the annual report and the report of the last meeting. Both reports were accepted as read with the exception of one correction in the annual report.

Before declaring a short recess after which our incoming president, Mrs. Knight, took the chair Mrs. Brown said she wished to thank the members, present and non-present, who helped her in the two years she served as president of the club and said she wished them to know that she appreciated fully the way in which they had been willing to help when called upon to do so.

Mrs. Knight opened the usual devotional service by leading the club in the reading of the 121<sup>st</sup> Psalm. This was followed by the Lord's Prayer which was

said in unison after which two verses of the hymn "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" was sung.

Following this service the roll was called to which the members responded with various items of interest.

Mrs. Knight showed us a health pamphlet issued by the Met. Life Insurance Co. entitled Seeing is Believing showing the improvement in the health of the American people from 1911-1930.

According to statistics the average person <sup>years</sup> lived  $5\frac{1}{8}$  longer in 1930 than in 1911 which is due largely to the campaigns which have been waged to lengthen human life.

Our president read a letter from Mrs. Sheffield in which she expressed most beautifully her thanks and appreciation for the letter of sympathy sent her by the club at the time of the passing on of her beloved father.

Mrs. Knight said she would like to try out the idea of having a committee of two or three ~~including~~ <sup>friends</sup> the hostess to serve as a refreshment committee, changing it for each

meeting. In this way of doing it would not be necessary for each one to bring refreshments each time. Mrs. Knight also said that if for any reason it would not be convenient to serve on this comm. when asked not to hesitate to say so.

An article by Dr. Dean was read, the subject matter being the long summer vacation and its disadvantage to the child. A general discussion followed.

Following this discussion a portion of the chapter entitled "Disease Inherited" from "Fruit of the Family Tree" was read by Mrs. Knight.

Our president asked Mrs. Brown if at some time in the future she would prepare a paper or give a short talk along the line of stamping out disease to be called by any title she might choose.

She also asked Mrs. Curtis if she would either read an article or prepare a paper on infantile paralysis to be read at the next meeting if possible.

At this time the meeting adjourned when refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by the refreshment comm. Mrs. Damon and Mrs. Dickinson + a social time was enjoyed.

The Mother's Club met for its second meeting  
<sup>short. afternoon.</sup> October 1st. at a lovely camp on Lake  
Nessaponsett with Mrs. Knight acting as  
hostess. There were seventeen mothers  
and nine children who enjoyed a very  
pleasant afternoon.

The meeting opened with the Lord's  
Prayer repeated in unison and one verse  
of America was sung.

In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Dickinson,  
Mrs. Damon was chosen secretary pro. tem.

The minutes of the last meeting, with two  
corrections made, were read and accepted.

The roll was then answered by humorous  
sayings.

Next came several selections from "Boners"  
which were very humorous. Mrs. Paine read  
an article "What Coolidge Said" which gave  
his reasons for declining the nomination  
for presidency. She read also an article  
entitled "Lincoln".

Our president, Mrs. Knight, read a  
newspaper clipping about cancer control.

At this time a vote of thanks was given  
the transportation committee who so kindly  
furnished cars for this event.

The meeting then adjourned, the next

place of meeting to be announced later and refreshments were served by the refreshment committee, Mrs. Heidel, Mrs. Stock, and Mrs. Fielding.

A very enjoyable time was had by both mothers and children.

Leila Damon.

Sec. pro tem.

At the meeting of the Mother's Club which was held Thurs. afternoon, Nov. 5, at the home of Mrs. Dickinson, there was an attendance of twelve members and three children. At this meeting we were glad to welcome two new members, Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. McCracken.

The meeting opened with the general prayer of thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer in which all joined. This was followed by the song, Our Children, with Mrs. Anderson at the piano.

The sec's report was then read + accepted.

Mrs. Parsons read a current event item which told about the opening of the Geo. Washington bridge which links N.J. to N.Y. <sup>This bridge</sup> It took  $4\frac{1}{2}$  years to build this bridge which is the longest suspension bridge in the world. During the first 24 hrs. 60,000 persons passed over it and it is estimated that 60 million will use the bridge in the course of a year.

To add a little spice to the program a joke was next read by Mrs. Knight.

A most instructive paper on infantile paralysis was read by Mrs. Curtis. It seems strange that despite so many years of study so little is known <sup>today</sup> about this dread disease.

Although probably not a new disease it was not recognized as infantile paralysis until 1881 when the first case was recorded as such in Sweden. The first case recorded in this country was in 1907. It is known that it is caused by a germ that attacks the nervous system but how it reaches the nervous system is yet a mystery. The period of greatest prevalence is from May to November. It is thought to be caused by coming in contact with the breath, nasal discharge or mouth spray of a sufferer of the disease or of a carrier. An early diagnosis is most important and if treated immediately may save the victim years of suffering.

Mrs. Knight spoke of two of the most pathetic cases of children sufferers she saw in the Shrine's Hospital for Crippled Children in Springfield during a recent visit there and reminded us that we should indeed be grateful that our children are normal and healthy. As this good work which the Shriners are doing is supported in a great measure by the sale of tin foil she urged us to save all we can and leave it either at Paine's store or give it to her and she would see that it reaches the hospital.

Mrs. Damon read an article by Arthur

Dean about fear in children. He says a timid child should be handled carefully and not ridiculed because of his fear or forced to do the thing of which he is afraid until the cause of his fear is discovered and the fear explained away. Elder people sometimes little realize the impression fear of a certain thing will leave on a child that will sometimes stay with him throughout his life.

Our president brought the meeting to a close by the reading of the last chapter, *Disease Inherited, from Front of the Family Tree* by Edward Wiggin.

All were invited by the hostess to remain for a social time and for refreshments which were served by the hostess and hospitality committee, Mrs. Farley, Mrs. Stein and Mrs. Parsons.

Eva M. Dickinson.  
Sec.

The Christmas meeting of the Mother's Club was held Thursday afternoon, Dec. 31, at the home of Mrs. Florence Wells with an attendance of sixteen members, one guest + three children.

In keeping with the Christmas season the meeting was opened with the singing of the hymn, "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" with Mrs. Fielding at the piano.

Mrs. Curtis read a part of the 43<sup>rd</sup> chapter of Isaiah and all joined in the Lord's Prayer.

Following the devotional service the secretary's report was read and accepted.

Since the December meeting was held so late in the month it was voted that the Jan. meeting be omitted and our president announced that the club had been invited to hold its Feb. meeting at the home of Mrs. Hammond.

A very timely health item regarding the curing of colds was read by Mrs. Knight and each member in turn told of his favorite remedy for a cold. In this way we learned several old remedies as well as some more modern ones.

This concluded the more serious part of the program and during the rest of the afternoon we enjoyed a program of entertainment which was opened with a most pleasing piano duet, "Jingle Bells", played by Mrs. Knight.

and Mrs. Fieding.

Following this three versions of "The Night Before Xmas" was read, the first being the old favorite with which we are all familiar, the second, "The Night After Xmas", and the third, "Exceptions to the Rule." The last two, for being most amusing were most enjoyed.

A very delightful Xmas story by Margaret Flaxen entitled "The Red Glass Bowl" was read by Mrs. Damon after which the meeting.

Numbers were then drawn from a Santa Claus chimney and gifts were distributed by our hostess from a very attractively decorated Christmas tree.

Following the exchange of gifts we were invited to remain for refreshments which were served by our hostess, assisted by the refreshment comm., Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Phen and Mrs. Paine.

Carrie M. Dickinson.

Sec.

The February meeting of the Mother's Club was held Thursday afternoon, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>. at the home of Mrs. H. F. Roy Hammond with an attendance of eighteen members, four guests and one child.

The meeting opened with devotional exercises led by the President - Mrs. Wright. The opening hymn set to the tune of Duke Street was chosen as being one probably sung in church service at the time of George Washington. The general prayer of thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer were repeated in unison.

At the close of the devotional service the rec'd's report was read and accepted.

The meeting was then given over to Mrs. Gladys Bruce and Mrs. Lura Parsons who gave a report of the meeting which they attended in Northampton, the first in a series of five meetings pertaining to child development and parent education which is being given by the Hampshire County Extension Service.

The outline pamphlet and discussion guides which was given to each parent speak of the education of the child in the home, the importance of the early years of a child's life, the parent as a teacher

and the home as a school.

Mrs. Bruce in her report touched upon each subject briefly since there was not sufficient time to deal with each in detail and led the discussion which followed.

The last subject to be taken up was habit formation, the discussion of this subject being led by Mrs. Parson.

Following this most instructive report by our two leaders, the program was devoted to the memory of George Washington. Brief items of interest about this man to whom the nation is paying special honor this year were read by each person present and a piano solo, the "Minuet" by Mozart, illustrative of the dance music two hundred years ago was played by Mrs. Knight.

This brought the meeting to a close and in the social hour which followed refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Fleming.

By M. Pickering.

Sec.

A meeting of the Mothers' Club was held Thursday afternoon, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the home of Mrs. Grace Heffelford with an attendance of fourteen members, one guest and two children.

In the absence of our president, Mrs. Knight, the meeting was in charge of Mrs. Gladys Stock.

The meeting was opened by the sec's report which was read and accepted.

Mrs. Curtis led the devotional service with the reading of a poem, "At the Place of the Sea." The 25<sup>th</sup> psalm was repeated, <sup>in unison</sup> by the members and prayer was offered by Mrs. Curtis, followed by the Lord's Prayer in which all joined.

Following the devotional service the meeting was put in charge of Mrs. Gladys Bruce who gave a report of the meeting which she attended in Northampton, the second in a series of five meetings pertaining to child development and parent education which are being given by the Hampshire County Extension Service.

The pamphlets which were given each person present dealt with the clothes problem of children, the teaching of self-

reliance, ardoriness and the stability of  
steps. Following a discussion of these  
subjects the meeting adjourned.

During the social hour which  
followed most delicious refreshments  
were served by the hosts assisted  
by the refreshment committee, Mrs.  
Florence Wells, Mrs. Edwin Howe and  
Mrs. Minnie Cross.

Bar M. Hickinson.  
Secy.

At a meeting of the Mother's Club held Thursday afternoon, April 7<sup>th</sup> at the home of Mrs. Grace Sheffield, there was an attendance of nine members, three guests and three children.

The meeting opened with the usual devotional service, the reading of the Beatitudes, and the Lord's Prayer which were repeated by the members in unison and the singing of a hymn.

The service report was then read and accepted. Plans for the next meeting of the club were discussed, it being suggested by our president that in the place of a regular meeting a mother and daughter banquet be held to which the mothers and daughters of the members be invited. It was voted that this banquet be held at a date to be announced later and also that the a committee composed of husbands of the members, with Mr. Knight as chairman, be asked to serve the supper.

Mrs. Knight announced that on Wednesday afternoon, April 20, at 2:30 o'clock Miss Evelyn Stovell would be at the Chapel to talk to the parents on the subject of having the child through play. The meeting is to be open to the public and all who would be interested are invited to attend.

Mrs. Fleming reported upon the condition of

W. C. Conover, a member of the club who is seriously ill, and it was voted that a message of sympathy from the club be sent her.

A report of the meeting pertaining to child development and parent education which was held at Northampton was given by Mrs. Dickinson.

This brought the <sup>meet</sup> program to a close and in the social hour which followed refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Hammond, Mrs. McCracken

Era M. Dickinson.

Sec.

On Friday evening, the 13th, the regular May meeting of the Mothers' club was held in chapel and took the form of a Mother and Daughter banquet with the general committee, made up of the president, Mrs. Charles S. Knight, vice-president, Mrs. Anthony J. Stock and secretary, Mrs. Edward S. Dickinson, in charge of arrangements. Past presidents, Mrs. Herbert D. Paine and Mrs. Emil Heidel assisted them as reception committee and the five served as hostesses at the tables set in the supper room where Charles S. Knight, Anthony J. Stock, Edward S. Dickinson and Joseph Bruce served a bountiful repast to the nearly sixty present. They were assisted by Robert and William Sheffield, Norman Heidel and Edward S. Dickinson, Jr.

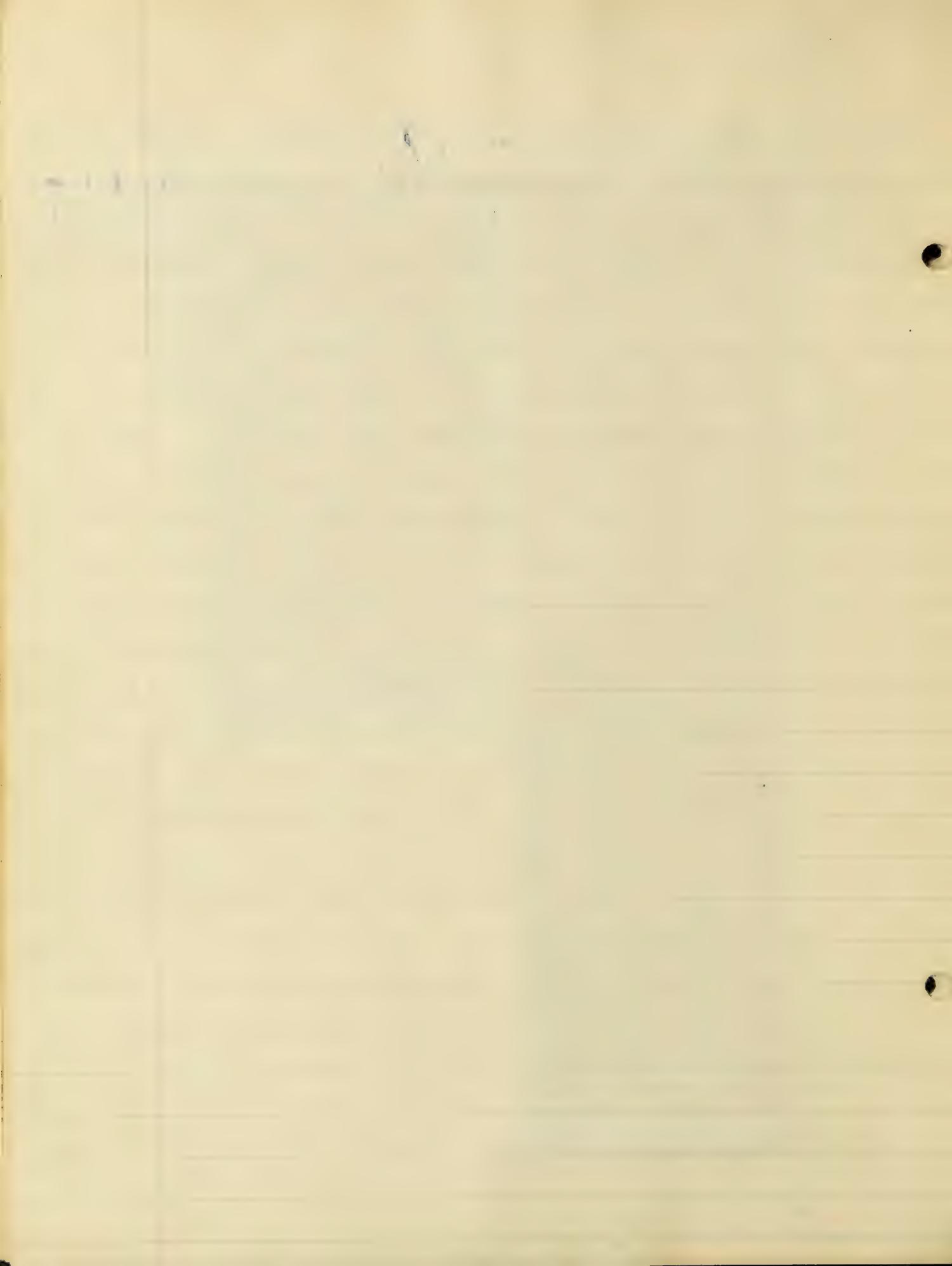
The tables were gay with spring flowers, forsythia, peach blossoms, tulips and narcissi in old time pottery jars and pansies by each place card.

At grace at the table Mrs. John H. Curtis read Henry Van Dyke's beautiful prayer written in thanks for mother. Seated at the tables were two special guests of honor, both 85 years of age, Mrs. Norman S. Chaffee, formerly an active worker in the club and Mrs. William Johnson, mother of Mrs. Edward N. Sheffield. The latter family with Robert and William serving on the supper committee made three generations present. Another instance was Mrs. Joseph Bruce with her mother, Mrs. John King of Greenwich Village and daughter, Shirley Bruce. The entertainment program was given and began with a welcome from the president, followed by community singing, "The more we get together, my mother, my daughter." Poems in praise of mother were read by Mrs. Dickinson and Mrs. Knight and also the poem, "The Open Door", written by Mrs. Calvin Coolidge in memory of her son.

Mrs. Emil Heidel sang very beautifully, "O Little Mother o' Mine" by H. T. Burleigh with Mrs. Knight as accompanist.

Special mother and daughter words to the tune "Maryland, my Maryland" were sung by the two groups alternating. Mrs. William J. Fielding of Ware was accompanist for the community songs: "The Most Wonderful Moment." A short story, "Most Wonderful Mother," by Elizabeth Cook was read. Announcement that the June meeting would be held with the past president, Mrs. Walter L. Brown was made. This being the annual meeting, a nominating committee to bring in names of officers for the 1932-1933 season was appointed: Mrs. Homer Damon, Mrs. Stanton P. Fleming and Mrs. William J. Fielding.

A rising vote of thanks to Mr. Knight and his committee in appreciation of their splendid work in relieving the women from having to serve the supper was given and Miss Sylvia Damon expressed the thanks of the daughters for the privilege of attending the happy occasion. "The More we get together" was again sung in Closing.



The annual meeting of the Mothers' Club was held on the verander of Mrs. Walter Brown's home Thursday, June 1, with an attendance of thirteen members and four children.

A beautiful mothers' prayer opened the meeting and a general prayer of thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer were repeated by the members. The song "Our Children," special words set to the tune of America was sung with Mrs. Parsons at the piano.

Following this devotional service the club's report was read and accepted.

Mrs. Hamon then presented the list of officers for the ensuing year chosen by the nominating committee, Mrs. Hamon, Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Fielding.

The following officers were unanimously elected, one ballot being used:

Pres.	Mrs. Knight
Vice Pres.	Mrs. Stock.
Secretary	Mrs. Curtis
Directors	Mrs. Paine Mrs. Heidt Mrs. Brown

Mrs. Parsons read "Commandments to Mothers" which was followed by a vote of the meetings of the child guidance course.

held since the April meeting of the Mother's Club. The report of the meeting on "Constructive Discipline" was given by Mrs. Wickenden, Mrs. Knight and Mrs. Farley. Mrs. Knight reported on the lesson, "Teaching the Child Through Play."

Mrs. Knight also reported gave a report of the meeting at which the subject, "The Adolescent Child," was studied.

This report brought forth a general discussion. Mrs. Knight gave a brief report of the meeting of the home-making department of the extension service held over June 7<sup>th</sup>, at Fairview Park, Southampton, where even members of the infant group took part in the pageant which was presented at that time.

A report of the condition of Mr. How was given and it was voted that the captain send her a message expressing the sympathy and best wishes of the club.

The meeting was then brought to a close the hostess inviting us to remain for a social hour and refreshments.

In serving the hostess was assisted by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Pine and Mrs. Lamow.

Eva M. H. Wickenden.

Annual Report. 1932.

During the club year, 1931-32 six meetings were held at the homes of members, one was held at Lake Neeskawonee, and one in the chapel.

The January meeting was omitted due to the fact that the H. C. meeting was held so late in that month. The meeting for the month of May was held in the chapel and took the form of a mother and daughter banquet. This was a very pleasant occasion and was enjoyed by all who attended the supper and entertainment which followed.

The custom of having a response to the roll call was continued from the preceding year and continued to be much enjoyed.

During the first four months a health program was presented, short health articles being read and discussed at each meeting. A paper, <sup>of fifteen pages</sup> which much time and thought was given and which was most instructive was prepared and read by Mrs. Curtis.

The H. C. meeting was also a very enjoyable one when a Christmas tree with an exchange of gifts, followed by a short

entertainment was enjoyed.

1932 being the Bicentennial year of George Washington's birth part of the program of the February meeting was devoted to his memory, brief articles of interest regarding him being read and the hymn chosen for the devotional service being one with which he was probably familiar.

At this meeting a report by two of our members was given on the subject "Child Guidance and Parent Education" the subject matter of which was received at a meeting held previously at Northampton under the direction of the Hampshire County Extension Service.

This was the first of a series of five lessons given by the Extension Service and it was decided that the Mothers' Club continue in the study of them.

Thereafter much of the time at each meeting was given over to the study and discussion of this subject, the material being received by members of the club who attended meetings in Northampton under the direction of Mrs. Ruth Whaley, child specialist.

During the year our membership has been increased by four and although conditions here are constantly changing we have lost none of our older members.

This past year has been a happy one to look back upon and we hope the coming year may bring as much pleasure to the officers and members as this one just past.

G. M. Hutchinson,  
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1932-33.

The first meeting of the Mothers' Club for the year 1932-33 was held Thurs. afternoon, Sept. 27 at 2 o'clock at the chapel with Mrs. Eva Wickinon acting as hostess.

Since the work of the Extension Service of Hampshire County is being taken up by the Mothers' Club, this meeting was open to the public as will be the following meetings in which this work is presented.

Fifteen ladies and two children were present at this meeting.

The meeting was opened by our pres. Mrs. Wright who welcomed the members and guests. The devotional service was briefly and the sec.'s report was read and accepted.

The idea of changing the time of meeting to two o'clock, <sup>was discussed</sup> and it was decided that while the courses sponsored by the extension service are being given the time of meeting will be at two o'clock instead of 3:30 o'clock.

Our pres. announced that the date of meeting may be changed and asked that we watch the papers. Also that

the hospitality comm. for the next meeting will be given at a later date.

At this time Mrs. F. night introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Mrs. Herbert C. Spink one of our own members who spoke on "Furniture and its arrangement." During the talk pictures illustrating the subject in passed around and diagrams showing good and poor arrangement of furniture were shown on the black board. At the close of the talk pamphlets were given each one present.

At the conclusion of the talk a rising vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Spink for her talk which was most interesting and instructive.

Following a short discussion the meeting was closed and the ladies adjourned to the dining room where refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by the hospitality committee, Mrs. F. amon and Mrs. Parsons.

Eva M. Dickinson  
Sec pro tem

A meeting of the Mothers' Club was held in the chapel Wednesday, Nov. 2. ~~1910~~<sup>club</sup> with an attendance of fifteen members and two guests including Miss Evelyn Stowell who visited us for a very short while.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Knight. In opening one verse of America was sung with Mrs. Parsons at the piano. The report of the previous meeting was then read & approved.

Mrs. Knight asked that the individual report of the previous projects be made out as soon as possible, saying that Miss Stowell is holding back her annual report until she receives them.

Mrs. Knight announced that on Thursday Nov. 17 at 2:30 o'clock Miss Mary Poggi will give at the Social Science Club at Ware, a talk on inexpensive Christmas gifts and how to make them, saying that the meeting will be well worth attending.

On Wed. Nov. 30 at 2 o'clock in the chapel Miss Stowell will give a talk on window treatment. This is to be an extension meeting only.

Dec. 15 will probably be the date set for the next W/others' club meeting which will include the extension work as well.

After the announcement of these dates the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Spink who gave us a very instructive as well as entertaining talk on color in home furnishings and walls and wall covering.

At the close of the talk at the suggestion of our president a rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Spink and the meeting adjourned to meet Dec. 15th.

In the social hour which followed refreshments were served by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Flanagan and Mrs. Paine.

By M. Dickson.

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A meeting of the Mothers' Club was held in the home of its president, Mrs. Knight, Shue. afternoon, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> with an attendance of eleven members.

The meeting was called to order by the president. In opening the usual devotional service was omitted and the secretary's report was read and accepted.

It was announced that although no date was set for the final meeting on slips - over it would not come until some time after Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>. At this meeting each one is asked to bring  $\frac{1}{2}$  y.d. of material that the work may be done in miniature.

The meeting was immediately given over to Mrs. S. pink whose talk on pictures and accessories was most entertaining & instructive. Small reproductions of well known paintings were passed around and all were free to make comments on anything said or ask questions if they wished.

The hostess invited all to remain for a social hour during which time refreshments were served by our hostess assisted by Miss Dorsey.

Eva M. Dickinson.

Sec. position.

The February meeting of the Mother's Club was held in the chapel Thurs. afternoon, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> at which there were nine members, one guest and several children present.

The pres. Mrs. Knight gave notice of the new extension service project, "New Clothes from Old". The dates of the leader training classes to be held in Belchertown were announced as Mar. 7 and 28 & April 18. Mrs. Walter L. Brown will be project leader for this series and will have Mrs. Edwina Parsons and Mrs. Edward Dickinson as assistants.

Mrs. Knight also gave notice of two half days to be given in our section on a vegetable project given by Prof. ~~Cole~~ of Mass. State College. The first of these lectures will be given Fri. Mar. 24 at 2 o'clock in Belchertown, the subject being "Vegetable Gardens". In the morning afternoon June 24<sup>th</sup> a similar lesson will be given at the same hour and place.

Mrs. Knight also told the members of the appreciation and thanks expressed by Mrs. Spink for the generous box and loving message sent to her at Christmas time during the time she and her son Maurice were so ill.

The meeting was then given over to Mrs. Spink who talked to us about ship covers. Mrs. Spink gave us a demonstration of the way the work is done, showing samples of cloth suitable for covering and also showed us the ship's coverings for deck furniture which she and Mrs. Knight had made.

At the conclusion of her instruction the meeting adjourned to a pleasant social hour following which refreshments were served by Mrs. Edwina Parsons.

On Thursday afternoon, March 9<sup>th</sup> a meeting of the  
Mothers' Club was held in the chapel with an  
attendance of eight members and one child.

The meeting opened with the reading of the secy's report which  
was accepted as read.

Our president, Mrs. Knight, announced that the date of the  
first of the two lectures on veg. gardens to be given by Prof. Cole  
of M.S.C. will be, March 20 instead of March 24 as was  
previously announced.

It was also announced that the leaders who gave the lessons  
in Belchertown on the living room project would be pleased to make  
a tour of the homes in which some of the ideas received were carried  
out if the housewife ~~were~~ <sup>be</sup> willing they should do so. — The tentative  
dates chosen for this being May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

Our pres. also announced that the next meeting in Belchertown to which the leaders of our present project will go will be March 26 and asked that the papers be watched for the date at which the project will be presented here.

It was also announced that the club has been invited to hold its June meeting at the home of Mrs. Brown.

The club voted that a note of friendship and sympathy be sent by our pres. to Mrs. Mabel Rohan and it passing the wish that she will soon be with us again.

Two poems were read by Mrs. Knight, the first being titled "Logic" by Julia Wild Huntington and the second "Watch Yourself Go By".

The meeting was then given over to Mrs. Brown.

who presented in a most entertaining and instructive manner the first of the lessons on the project, "New Clothes From Old," received at Belchertown two days previously.

This talk by Mrs. Brown brought the meeting to a close after which a very pleasant social time was enjoyed. Refreshments were served by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Amy Spink and Mrs. Grace Smith.

Ava M. Dickenson.

Sec. pro. tem.

The April meeting of the Moline Club was held in the chapel Thurs. afternoon, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 o'clock with the president, Mrs. F. night, presiding. There was an attendance of eight, including Miss Evelyn Storrell, extension service leader.

The meeting opened with the reading of the sec's report which was accepted with one correction.

Mrs. F. night announced that the date on which the local project leaders will meet in Belchertown will be April 18<sup>th</sup>.

It was also announced that the next meeting of the club will be held on Thursday afternoon, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Amy Spink. This meeting will not be combined with the extension service meeting.

Miss Storrell announced that the date of the meeting on "Canning" will be held June 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 o'clock at Grange Hall in Belchertown.

At this meeting Prof. Cole of M. S. C. will demonstrate canning and will be glad to answer any canning problems that are presented to him. If there is any vegetable that with the exception of corn that one would like particularly to see Prof. Cole can that afternoon he will do so if this wishes are made known to him.

Following these announcements the meeting was given over to Mrs. Brown who presented the second lesson on the remodeling of clothes received at the

project leaders' meeting in Belchertown March 28<sup>th</sup>.

At the close of this most interesting talk Miss Storrell demonstrated the making of cloth buttons without the use of button moulds, the hem finish used on the latest collar and cuff sets and the manner in which bias binding is made when there is only a small amount of material available.

This brought the meeting to a close and we were invited to the dining room where refreshments were served by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Jessie Paine, Mrs. Lila Hamon and Mrs. Anna Parsons.

Eva M. Hickinson.

Sec. Proj. Com.



A meeting of the Mother's Club was held Thursday P.M.  
May 4<sup>th</sup> at the home of Mrs. Loring Spink with an att.  
12 twelve members and one guest.

① The meeting opened with the singing of a hymn  
followed by an historical series which was introduced  
by Mrs. Curtis and each member gave a brief report.  
Prayer followed after which a paper which was accepted  
in motion.

The meeting was opened with singing and reading,  
Mrs. Spink spoke the second half of the  
Pekin Story and the members reported on their conditions.  
Some ended their former meeting by talking on the  
second Sunday in June at the home of Mrs. L. Brown.  
Mrs. Bright appointed as a coordinating committee to  
plan a state dinner to be held on at the next  
meeting. Mrs. L. Brown, Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Curtis  
The third health topic was "Dental Insurance"  
Mrs. Tracy on this subject was read and was followed by  
a general discussion.

② An article prepared by the National Safety Council  
in regard to fire safety in the home and  
mentors were shown and a plan made for  
adjustments at the last by the Club.

Mrs. Spink spoke the different projects carried  
out by the Club this year - the living room project and

the college project, both which were arranged by the  
State College extension service. Some of the work done  
by the members after taking the drawing project  
were shown.

At 8 o'clock from the west door, the "Twelve-tone" was read by Mr. Bright.

The meeting was then adjourned to a place and in  
the social hour which followed refreshments were  
served by the hospitality committee Mr. Judge  
Stock and Mrs. Anna Stock.

From Mr. Garrison

1000 per cent.

The annual meeting of the M. Club was held here, June 1, at the home of Mrs. Doug Brown with an attendance of twelve members and guests.

The meeting opened with a short devotional service led by our president, Mrs. Wright. The hymn "Reneweth our hearts O Lord" was sung followed by the Constitution recited in unison and the reading of a prayer for guidance.

The following ten motions were the outcome: the report was read and accepted.

The following names were then presented to be filled upon to serve as officers for the ensuing year:  
Pres. Mrs. Doug Brown  
Vice-pres. Mrs. Anna Caine  
Sec. Mrs. Ag. Johnson  
Treas. Mrs. Lora Slem

Mrs. Ag. Johnson and Mrs. Caine were voted in  
tellers and the others were voted holding men.

Mr. Wright called attention to the fact that the  
festival in running under the leadership of C. D. C. &  
M. S. C. would be given at Range Hill, Belchertown  
June 26<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 10 P.M. and that all who are  
interested are invited to attend.

Attention was also called to the fact that on June  
and the 1st of July there would be a  
series of lectures on the subject of "The  
Science of Health" by Dr. J. H. Kellogg.

urged us all to go to the polls on that day. A letter  
stating my position, as prohibitionist by Rev. Weston, an  
active worker in the cause of S. L. Worcester was read.

We might have introduced many more names  
who told us in a most interesting manner about  
the work in Alabama, in which we took part and about  
the work of the Young People. But with so much interest  
by those present in Alabama and informed the speaker  
had far to interrupt with questions.

The speaker spoke of the organization with which the  
Rev. and Rev. Dr. Spofford, of Boston was received and it  
was evident that the meeting was divided in  
opinion upon the subject of prohibition in New England.  
At the first meeting the New Englanders had a  
minority & those who gave out strong protest  
for the minimum were introduced to the  
rest two years.

The meeting was then opened & a call was made  
we were invited by our Eastern Friends for a  
second course of documents which were  
read by the local association by the  
Speaker of the Committee Rev. Weston and  
Rev. Weston.

Very truly yours

Rev. - T. H. Weston

The first meeting of the Mother's club for the new  
season was held Saturday, P. M., Sept 7<sup>th</sup>. The meeting  
began with an address on the "Home and the  
Child" by Mrs. F. A. G. and the singing of a hymn.

The meeting was opened with a reading of a  
letter from Mrs. F. A. G. which was read by a young man  
and followed by a hymn. The meeting was then  
closed with a hymn.

Following the service the members of the  
first meeting were voted and accepted.

At that time a vote was taken on the  
method of selecting president with a plurality  
voting. It was decided to have an incoming president  
choose the incoming president. The  
new president, the club, & the  
readings should be same as in the past. It was  
decided that there be no change.

It was voted that a visiting committee  
be appointed this year also to serve with  
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Arranging Young and ~~old~~ <sup>new</sup> which were  
and enjoyed underread by Mrs Brown  
and using a piano with Yale machine  
and by the general the matinée  
performed to well 1000 but the  
audience were few.

Our later meetings were more  
and more, during which time and  
when committees were formed to be  
elected to the various committees.

On the 25th December

1860.

The November meeting of the Potomac Club  
was held Wed. 11/14/82 at the home of Mrs. Wm.  
H. Johnson with an attendance of 11 members  
and one guest.

The meeting opened with the singing of a hymn  
from the Hymn book hymnal.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.  
A portion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> day, '82 "Breadthence" was read  
by the pres. & a general singing took place.  
Following the devotional service the following  
call to order was responded.

A short article entitled "Our Thanksgiving" was read by  
Mrs. Brown. This story was written by a  
Woman from Virginia. This story was written and  
became a well known article during the  
last meeting which is to be held this evening. The annual  
Report of the Club was read and the hand of  
each member & long time guest was upon  
the tree. In place of the usual tokens an  
appropriate one was used,即 the hand of each  
member & long time guest.

The meeting was then brought to order and an  
elocutionist who had followed the November meeting  
read by the invitation of the hostess  
a portion of the "Bible" from the New  
Testament.

The Rev. meeting held Mother's Day on last in  
the home of Mrs. H. A. Dyer on Hwy. P. S. No. 100  
with an attendance of 16 members, children & guests.

President Mrs. May Brown opened the meeting  
with the annual business period during which the  
year passed, treasury report by the Sec-Treas  
and the minutes. "Mental and Moral Health" was  
the theme of the meeting and was approved.

In the annual business meeting, Mrs. G. Wilkinson  
was voted to be asked to act as secretary for the  
meeting. The 7 yo meeting was read and approved.

A card gratifying acknowledging flowers sent to  
the funeral of our former active member Mrs. Isadore  
Kaufman, a message from another club member,  
was read. Another member voted to send to Mother  
Kaufman a card, flowers, and a gift which  
was placed on the table.

The president pointed the request came from  
the annual convention on a just color  
matter and the problem has abnormal twist.  
She said, "It is not a fitting subject for any meeting  
but you are here and impartially discussed  
without names when views fail to easily  
agree. It seemed to you that a public色彩  
was no place for an unusual and since the

influence on and complete to the audience  
was unfortunate.

Mr. Marion Miller had an interesting talk  
on the origins some I have but known,  
including several Christmas ones.

Our teacher's daughter, Miss Dorothy Miller  
played "The Night Before Christmas" a piano  
fantasy appropriate to the season with imitation  
fairy bells in a most realistic manner and  
enjoyed - all.

The audience responded with interesting items  
to the notes all.

The Christmas tree was then illuminated and  
with Mrs. Taylor substituting for Santa with  
her decorated tree, presents. Many presents  
were given by the gift tree were given  
with the gift.

A prominent speaker was Mr. Miller  
and Mrs. Miller took to earn an audience  
committee for the next meeting to talk  
with Mrs. Brown of our school and to  
permit.

Marion was invited to sing a solo  
to the notes all. Mrs. Williamson will much  
appreciate their adoration and a cordial

have followed with delightful moments  
spent by the Native and the visiting  
members. Mrs. Marion Bailey and  
Miss Elizabeth.

The members departed feeling that a most  
happy afternoon had been spent.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anna F. de Knight  
Sec. pro tem.

The January meeting of the Mothers' Club was held Tuesday afternoon, January 4<sup>th</sup> at the home of Mrs. Edwin H. Dore with an attendance of six members and one guest.

The President Mrs. Brown opened the meeting with the usual devotional period, reading the first eight verses of the sixth chapter of Matthew. This was followed by the Beatitudes which were repeated in unison and by the singing of a hymn from the Mothers' Club hymnal. Mrs. Charles S. Knight was accompanist.

At the close of the devotional service the exec's report was read and accepted.

The roll was then called to which the members responded with interesting items.

An authentic story of how Abraham Lincoln fed a Confederate soldier as told by this soldier's daughter was read by Mrs. Pickering.

A piano solo - In a Moorish Garden - was played by Mrs. Charles Knight and was much enjoyed.

This was followed by an interesting and amusing article read by Mrs. Brown and entitled "His Mother Business."

At the close of this reading Mrs. Brown

thanked all who had taken part in the afternoon's program and announced that the next meeting would probably be held at the home of Mrs. Frederick Darley. The name of Mrs. Grasstern was announced as one of the hostesses to serve at this meeting, the other members to be announced later.

The meeting then adjourned to enjoy a very pleasant social hour and most delicious refreshments served by our hostess and the hospitality committee, Mrs. Edward S. Hifford and Mrs. Anthony Stock.

Eva M. Dickinson.

Secy.

The February meeting of the Mother's Club was held Thursday afternoon Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> at the home of Mrs. Frederick Farley with an attendance of ten members, three guests and three children.

The President, Mrs. Brown, opened the meeting with several verses from the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter of James, followed by the Lord's Prayer repeated in unison and a hymn from the Mother's Club hymnal, Mrs. Charles Knight being the accompanist.

In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Eva Dickinson, Mrs. Lura Parsons was appointed secretary pro. tem.

The secretary's report was read and accepted.

The roll was then called to which the members responded with various items.

Mrs. Clifton Wells read a Valentine story, "For the Girl of My Dreams" by Lenora Weber which was enjoyed very much.

Mrs. Walter Brown then read an article in the Reader's Digest, "A Religion That Does Things," which was very interesting.

Mrs. Charles Knight announced the next

three project meetings would be "Low Cost Meals" and urged all to be present that could, and the dates would be announced in the papers.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Brown thanked all that had taken part in the meeting.

Mrs. Clifton Wells offered her home for the next meeting. Mrs. Brown appointed Mrs. Spink and Mrs. Knight to serve as the hospitality committee.

The meeting then closed to enjoy a pleasant social hour and refreshments served by the hostess and the hospitality committee, Mrs. Cora Steen and Mrs. Inez Brown.

Lura Parsons,  
Sec. Pro. Tem.

at a meeting of the Mothers' Club which was held Thursday afternoon March 1 at the home of Mrs. Florence Wells, there was an attendance of eleven members.

The president, Mrs. Brown, presided and opened the devotional service by reading from the first chapter of James beginning with the 19<sup>th</sup> verse. The Beatitudes were repeated in unison and a hymn from the Mothers' Club hymnal followed with Mrs. Knight at the piano.

At the close of the devotional service the report of the secretary was read and accepted. This was followed by the roll call to which the members responded with miscellaneous items which were much enjoyed.

Miss Barbara Wells, daughter of our hostess then entertained us with a piano solo - "Fond Memories" by C. C. Hammond.

The first reading of the afternoon was given by Mrs. Knight. This was a housewife's impression of President Roosevelt's first year in office, written by Mrs. Philip Wiley.

Mrs. Knight also read an article taken from the Readers Digest entitled "Here Comes Mrs. Roosevelt" by Rita S. Haley.

In regard to the activities of Mrs. Roosevelt  
Mrs. F. might conclude with a small item  
written by Mrs. Boah in which she said, "If I  
read about all of Mrs. Roosevelt's activities before  
I get up I am all tired out when I get up."

Mrs. Brown followed these readings with three  
short articles also taken from the Readers  
Digest - Home Sweet Home, That was College Life  
and Lament on the Nine Year Old, the last written  
by Irvin Cobb.

Mrs. F. might call attention to a series of  
articles now running in the Saturday Evening  
Post based on the reminiscences of Mr. Hoover, for  
many years head usher at the White House, saying  
that they are of special interest because of the  
highlights which they throw upon the last nine  
administrations.

She also announced that the Hampshire County  
extension Service date which had previously  
been set for the second Tuesday in March  
has been changed and asked that the papers be  
watched for the date chosen by the leaders for this  
lesson.

Mrs. Wills announced that the Social Science  
Club of Ware are sponsoring a concert to be given

by the Amherst Choral Club in their club room Friday evening, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 o'clock to which the public is invited. The charge to be fifty cents.

• Mrs. Spink consented to read an article or story at the next meeting which will meet with Mrs. Dickmon unless for some reason it is impossible for her to entertain at this time. In that case Mrs. Shifford invited the Club to meet at her home.

The assisting hostesses for this meeting will be Mrs. Walter Avery and Mrs. Lura Parsons.

The meeting was then brought to a close and the hostesses invited all to remain for a social hour and refreshments served by the hostess and Mrs. Spink and Mrs. Knight, the hospitality committee.

Eva M. Dickmon

Sec.

The April meeting of the Mother's Club was held Wednesday afternoon April 11th at the home of Mrs. Edward Sheffield with an attendance of sixteen members, seven guests and three children.

The President, Mrs. Brown, opened the meeting reading from the 133<sup>d</sup> Psalm, followed by the singing of "Our Children".

In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Eva Dickinson, Mrs. Lura Parsons was appointed secretary pro. tem.

Secretary's report was then read and accepted.

Mrs. Brown remarked that instead of Mrs. Spink reading a story at this meeting as previously read in the report, some of the Quabbin members would put on a short play.

The roll was then called to which the members responded with various items.

Notice was given of the Extension meeting to be held in the Chapel April 17<sup>th</sup> at 2 o'clock. Subject to be "School Lunches" and the talk to be given by <sup>miss</sup> Evelyn Stowell.

The President then closed the meeting.

announcing the next meeting would be held May 3<sup>d</sup> at Mrs. Spink's home, and appointed Mrs. Clifton Wells and Mrs. Edward Sheffield to serve as the hospitality committee.

The play "The Incurable Optimist" was then presented with characters as follows: Mrs. Spink as the grandmother, Mrs. Zappay as Martha Gray her daughter, Mrs. Farley as the granddaughter, Carolyn, and Mrs. Wells, a neighbor.

It was very much enjoyed.

After that refreshments were served by the hostess and the hospitality committee, Mrs. Walter Avery and Mrs. Edward Parsons.

Lura Parsons,  
Sec. pro. tem.

The May meeting of the Mother's Club was held Thursday, May 3<sup>d</sup> at the home of Mrs. Herbert Spink with an attendance of thirteen members, one guest and three children.

The President, Mrs. Brown, opened the meeting by reading the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter of St. John, the 3<sup>d</sup> verse in the Daily Food book, followed by the 23<sup>d</sup> Psalm repeated in unison and then the Lord's Prayer was also repeated in unison. A hymn from the Mother's Club Hymnal was then sung with Mrs. Charles Knight as the accompanist.

In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Eva Dickinson, Mrs. Lura Parsons was chosen secretary pro-tem.

Secretary's report was read and accepted.

Mrs. Brown chose as the nominating committee for officers for the coming year, Mrs. Emil Heidel, Mrs. Frederick Farley and Mrs. Anthony Stork.

Mr. Curtis invited the Mother's Club to conduct a meeting at the chapel May 13<sup>th</sup>, Mother's Day, for the Christian Endeavor. It was voted to accept the invitation.

Mrs. Charles Knight announced the Hampshire County Extension Service next meeting would be held at the chapel Tuesday, May 8th at 2.30 P.M. Subject to be "Dairy Products." She also announced that Miss Poyyi was to be married soon, and that if any that knew her would like to contribute 5¢ or 10¢ toward a present to bring it to the meeting May 8th.

The roll was then called to which the members responded with interesting items.

Mrs. Charles Knight then played on the piano the piece "Carmena" by Lane-Wilson which was very much enjoyed.

Mrs. Edward Parsons read "Hail to the Chief" by Irwin H. Hoover who was chief usher at the White House through nine administrations.

After this Mrs. Brown read two short articles from the Reader's Digest, "Kidnappers Beware" and "So You Hate Truck Drivers" which were both very interesting.

Mrs. Brown thanked all who had taken part in the meeting. She asked Mrs. Edward Sheffield and Mrs. Walter Avery to read and Mrs. Charles Knight to furnish the music at the next meeting which would be held June 7th at <sup>Mrs.</sup> Brown's home.

The hospitality committee to be Mrs. Anthony Stork and Mrs. Homer Damon.

The meeting then closed to enjoy a pleasant social hour and delicious refreshments served by our hostess and the hospitality committee, Mrs. Edward Sheffield and Mrs. Clifton Wells.

Lura Parsons  
Sec. pro. tem.

The annual meeting of the mothers' club was held in the home of Mrs. Amy Brown on Thursday afternoon June 7<sup>th</sup> with an attendance of thirteen members, four guests and two children.

President Mrs. Brown opened the meeting with the usual devotional period during which the 121<sup>st</sup> psalm and the Lord's Prayer were repeated followed by the hymn "Our Children" with Mrs. Shifford as accompanist.

The minutes of the previous meeting were then read and accepted.

The report of the nominating committee was given by Mrs. Heidels, chairman of the committee when the following names were presented to serve as officers for the ensuing year.

President	Mrs. Amy Brown
Vice President	Mrs. Amy Spink
Secretary	Mrs. Freda Brown
Treasurer	Mrs. Freda Brown
	Mrs. Lila Brown
	Mrs. Freda Brown

It was voted that at this meeting and at all future meetings the entire slate of officers be elected on one ballot and that this should be written into the rules for future reference.

Mrs. Shifford and Mrs. G. T. C. were chosen to act as tellers. There were thirteen ballots cast.

all in favor of the slate of officers previously presented.

Mrs Brown thanked the members for the co-operation which she had received from them the past year and said she wished them to know that she fully appreciated their willingness to help when called upon.

She asked if the members would prefer to continue the reading of short articles and stories or to select a book a portion of which would be read at each meeting. Both ways of doing was discussed but no decision was reached.

The roll call which followed was both interesting and instructive the subject chosen being "short cuts to home making."

An article, "Youth Movie Cos," pertaining to 4-H Club work was read by Mrs. Walter Avery.

Mrs Shifford read a short story by Temple Bailey entitled "The Apple Dan," being the story of a mother who finds her way to peace.

After these two readings which were much enjoyed the meeting was brought to a close. We were invited by our hostess to remain for a social hour and refreshments which were served by our hostess assisted by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Gerda Damon and Mrs. Gladys Stock.

By M. Dickinson  
Sec.

A most enjoyable meeting of the Mothers' Club  
was held Thurs. afternoon Sept 6 at 2:30 o'clock at the  
home of Mrs. F. M. Parsons with an attendance  
of 13 members and 3 guests.

President Mrs. Brown opened the meeting with  
the usual devotional service - the singing of the  
a hymn from the M. Club Hymnal and the  
23rd psalm and of the Prayer repeated in unison.  
The service upon followed was accepted.

The roll was then called to which the members  
responded with lots of miscellaneous articles  
and was much enjoyed.

Mrs. Howe entertained us with the reading  
of the story "Welcome Home Hal" and a short  
article on Mickey Mouse taken from a recent  
issue of the Reader's Digest was read by Mrs.  
Brown, who, at the close of the reading, asked  
Mrs. Shifley if she would read at the next meeting  
and think of all who had taken part.

The meeting then adjourned to meet the first Thurs.  
in Oct. with Mrs. E. Dickinson. We were invited  
by our hostess to remain for a social hour refreshments  
which were served by our hosts assisted by the  
Hospitality Committee, Mrs. Walter Avery and Mrs.

E. M. D. Sec.

at a meeting of the Mothers Club held there afternoon Oct 7, at the home of Mrs. Eva Dickinson. There was an attendance of 8 members, 1 guest and three children.

In the absence of the president or vice-president Mrs. Amy Spink opened the meeting with the usual devotional service during which a hymn was sung, the eighth psalm was read by Mrs. Spink and the Lord's Prayer repeated by all. Mrs. Spink also read a short poem - "Stretch and Sharn."

The minutes of the September meeting were read and approved, followed by the roll call at which the members responded with interesting items.

Mrs. Grace Stiffell read from a paper of which she had a copy regarding the Giorno quintuplets by which we were able to follow their lives from birth to the time of reading. Much of the material was taken from a California paper which gave much more space to the stories & the babies than did our western paper. This reading was much enjoyed by all the mothers present.

After a short discussion of the very well known case the meeting was brought to a close to end with Mrs. Claude Knobell for the present meeting.

As the social hour which followed refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by the Hospitality Committee Mrs. Lewis Spink and Mrs. Gladys Stark. C. M. S. Sec.

The November meeting of the church that was held on Monday afternoon November 7 at the home of Mrs. Amy Faintall with an attendance of eighteen members.

The meeting was opened by the president Mrs. Brown who read from the first chapter of Matthew the first twenty verses. The Doxology was then sung by the members with Mrs. Anna Faintall on leader.

Following the devotional service the semi-annual report was read and accepted. The roll question called to which the members responded with miscellaneous items.

The principal reading of the afternoon by Mrs. Marion Failey and was entitled "A Short Message to Parents" <sup>was</sup>.

Mrs. Brown read two short articles - "God's Providence" and "Just Enter the Gates of Industry". Both taken from the Reader's Digest.

Because of a conflict in date it was voted that the December meeting which is to be held at the home of Mrs. J. Shippel be postponed one week. The meeting will take the form of a dinner party, each member to bring a dish to place upon the tree.

Parsons, asked that we enclose an appropriate verse with the gift to be read when <sup>is</sup> unwrapped. Mrs. Spink will entertain us with a hymn, and the visiting lecturer will be Mrs. Charles Dickenson and Mrs. Marion Failey.

We were invited by our hostess to remain for a social hour during which time refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by the hospitality committee Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Chapman.

The Christmas meeting of the Mothers' Club was held at the home of Mrs. Grace Sheffield Shure. P. M. Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, with an attendance of 20 members, 4 guests and 18 children.

The meeting was opened by the pres. Mrs. Brown with the regular devotional service during which the Beatitudes & Lord's Prayer were repeated by the members & in keeping with the Xmas season the Xmas hymn "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" was sung.

The roll was then called, the members responding by telling of a trip which they had enjoyed this past summer.

Following the roll call which was much enjoyed Mrs. A. Spink read a Xmas story which was also enjoyed by the mothers and also by the children who gathered around and listened closely, not missing a word of what was read.

Mrs. Brown, after thanking all who helped to make the afternoon a pleasant one called the meeting to a close to meet on Thurs. 1<sup>st</sup> M. Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> at the home of Mrs. Florence Wells with Mrs. E. Ritchie & Mrs. L. Parsons as assisting hostess.

Numbers were then drawn and gifts distributed by the hostess from a very pretty prettily decorated Xmas tree. Each child present also received a gift and it was agreed by mothers and children alike that a very pleasant time had been enjoyed.

After the distribution of the gifts we were invited by the hostess to remain for a social hour and refreshments which were served by the hostess assisted by the Hospitality committee Mrs. Marion Farley, Mrs. Phoebe Dickinson and Mrs. Zorna Weston.

Wm M. Dickinson,  
Sc.

The January meeting of the Mothers' Club was held at the home of Mrs. F. Wells, Shreve. P. M. Jan 5<sup>th</sup> with an attendance of 12 members and one guest. The president, Mrs. A. Brown presided & opened the meeting with the usual dev. service consisting of the 23<sup>rd</sup> psalm and Zora's Prayer repeated in unison, and closing with the song, "Oh Children."

The secy's report was then read and accepted and the roll called to which the members responded with misc. items.

The story, "The Seventh Candle," the story of a home made miracle in the heart of France, was read by Mrs. Wells. This was followed by two piano solos by Mrs. Wright - "The Dance of the Witches" & "Melody at Dawn," which were much enjoyed.

Two short articles taken from the Reader's Digest was read by Mrs. Brown, one being "I Could Have Stopped the Hindburgh Case," and "a man about the House."

Mrs. Brown thanked those who had taken part in the meeting and announced that the assisting hostesses for the February meeting will be Mrs. Eva Stein and Mrs. Anna Parsons.

After the piano solo "Sing Me a Lullaby," played by Miss Barbara Wells, the meeting was brought to a close. The members were invited to remain for a social time and refreshments which were served by the ladies assisted by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Elizabeth Pitcher and Mrs. Lucy Brown.

By M. Richardson  
Secy.

A meeting of the M. C. was held Thurs. afternoon Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at the home of Mrs. May Brown with an attendance of 15 members and 3 guests.

The meeting opened with the usual devotional service led by the president during which the 23<sup>rd</sup> psalm and God's Agnus were repeated in unison by the members and a hymn from the M. C. hymnal was sung.

The report of the last meeting was read and accepted following which the roll was called to which the members responded with a long miscellaneous item.

Two short articles from the Reader Digest were read, one entitled "The Roots of Evil" and the other Adopted Mother written by a mother who had adopted five children.

One article on "How much animal" was the piano solo "Tale of a Trustie" played by Mrs. Knight.

It was voted that in place of the nine items readings which we have had each month, a few chapters would be read from the book "Sandwich" by Olga Schivikova, read by Mrs. Spink.

This book tells the story of the life of a Russian boy of noble birth, the author's son, who was born in exile and is a hunting companion of mother love. A few chapters were read at this meeting by Mrs. Spink and was greatly enjoyed.

Mr. Spink announced that there will be a meeting of the Extension Service on Friday afternoon, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> at the chapel at 3:30 o'clock to which all are invited. The subject for this meeting to be

1) Kitchen equipment a new subject not given to one in any part of this state.

Mrs. Shiffied very kindly offered to entertain the club at her home for the March meeting if we would postpone the date of meeting one week. It was voted to do this.

Mrs. Brown appointed Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Wright to serve as assisting hostesses at this meeting.

The meeting was then brought to a close when we were invited to remain for a social time and refreshments which were served by the hostess assisted by the hosp. comm. Mrs. Bradshaw and Mrs. Dina Parsons.

Carrie Dickinson

A meeting of the Mothers' Club was held this afternoon Apr. -  
at the home of Mrs. Edward Dickenson with an attendance of thirteen  
members and two children

On the absence of the president the meeting was opened by the  
vice-pres. Mrs. Amy Spink who led the dev. service by reading a short  
prayer entitled "Our Living Christ" followed by the 2nd Psalm and  
a hymn from the H. C. Hymnal. In keeping with the Easter  
season a short article, "The Enchanted Garden of Damascus" which  
was written by Frank C. Eaton a veteran missionary was read.

The secretary's report was read and accepted after which  
the rolls were called.

Mrs. Spink announced that the next meeting will be held at  
the home of Mrs. Walter Brown with Mrs. Stanton Fleming and  
Mrs. Gladys Stock serving as assisting hostesses.

A few chapters from the book "And like me" were read and the  
Mrs. ) race & held after which the meeting was brought to a  
close when the members were invited to remain for a  
social time and refreshments which were served by the  
hostess and hospitality committee Mrs. Walter Avery  
and Mrs. Wilfred Weston.

Very M. Wilkinson.

Sec.

A regular meeting of the Mother Cluttons was held on May 2<sup>nd</sup> for some 20 persons, with an audience of four members and their husbands and one child.

The meeting was opened with the usual devotion, service being held the month chapter, "Wherest the lost &徒徒 men are now followed by the fiddle, organ and the singing from hymn book the hymnal.

The minister gave special blessing was read and approved.

One was followed by the roll call to which all responded.

Two items and two articles from Frederic Remond, one entitled "The Sixth Seal," the other "The War Girl" the latter showing what has been done in some of the gains made by gambling rooms that money doesn't buy happiness.

Mr. Shufeld took up the reading of the book "Sandick" which is being much enjoyed by the members.

At the meeting reading the account was read that the next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. John Cook with Mrs. Shufeld and son, addressing an

residing between

Mr. Long, Spink, Mrs. Elizabeth Stein and  
Mrs. Walter were appointed to bring  
in a check of specimens in case folder 235-36  
ready to be voted upon at the next meeting.  
The meeting was then adjourned to another  
and the members were invited by the主任  
President to remain till a adjournment  
which was agreed by the entire and  
existing committee. Mrs. Weston, Elvira  
and Mrs. Lydia Stark.

Ed. M. Hickman  
Sec.

A regular meeting of the Mothers' Club was held Thursday afternoon, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the home of Mrs. Inez Brown with an attendance of 12 members 1 guest & 1 child.

The pres. opened the meeting with the usual devotional service during which the eleventh chapter of Hebrew, the first to tenth verse, was read followed by the Lord's Prayer and the singing of a hymn from the Mothers' Club hymnal.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and approved.

This was followed by the roll call to which the members responded with miscellaneous items.

Mrs. Brown read two articles from the Readers' Digest, one entitled "The Sixth Sense," the other, "If I Were Rich" this being a story of what has become of some of the gains made by gambling and showing that money does not always bring happiness.

Mrs. Shifford then took up the reading of the book "Sandick" which is being much enjoyed by the members.

At the close of the reading the president

announced that the next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Gladys Stock with Mrs. Grace Shifford and Mrs. Florence Waller serving as assisting hostesses.

During the annual meeting a nominating committee was appointed to bring in names of officers to serve for the 1935-36 season - the committee being Mrs. Ritchie, Mrs. Spink and Mrs. Avery.

The meeting was then brought to a close and the members were invited by the hostess to remain for a social time and refreshments which were served by the hostess assisted by the hospitality committee, Mrs. Fleming and Mrs. Stock.

By M. Richardson,  
Sec.

The last regular meeting of the Mothers' Club <sup>type</sup> for the  
month of June was held at the home of Mrs. Gladys Stark on the  
afternoon of June 6<sup>th</sup>. Seventeen members, three children and one  
guest were present to enjoy the gathering.

The pres. Mrs. May Brown, opened the meeting with a short devotional  
service, first reading part of the sixth chapter of Luke. This was  
followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison, and the singing of a hymn.

The president then appointed Mrs. Shifford Ward as secretary  
pro-tem in the absence of Mrs. Dickinson, and the report of the  
secretary was read and accepted.

Mrs. Brown spoke of the sudden death of Mrs. Farley's mother  
and appointed Mrs. Shifford and Mrs. Sprink a committee to  
send a note of sympathy to Mrs. Farley from the Mothers' Club.

It was voted to hold a picnic in the near future and various  
plans for same were discussed. Mrs. Sprink, Mrs. Edwin C. Horne  
and Mrs. Amy were appointed as a committee to decide upon a  
place and date for the picnic.

The report of the nominating committee was then given by  
Mrs. Ritalie, and read as follows:

President - Mrs. May L. Brown

Vice President - Mrs. Amy Sprink

Secretary - Mrs. Grace Shifford

Directors - Mrs. Gladys Stark

Mrs. Eva Dickinson

Mrs. Lila Harmon

The above report was accepted, Mrs. Ruth Howe and Mrs. Stahlbod were appointed estillers and all offices and directors were unanimously elected.

The roll call then followed, and the members responded with miscellaneous items, which always prove interesting.

Four instructive articles were then read by Mrs. Brown: "Minding Our Manners; Swimmers & the Home; Our Army of Child Workers, and "Please Make Yourself at Home."

The secretary read a note of thanks from Mrs. Neidell, and Mrs. Spick made an announcement in connection with the Extension Service.

Mrs. Brown thanked all who had taken part in the meeting, and announced that the next meeting would be held the first Monday in September at the home of Mrs. Anna Powers, with Mrs. Frank Dickinson and Mrs. Dunn acting as assisting trustees.

All remained for a very pleasant social hour during which time refreshments were served by the Estillers and their assistants, Mrs. Wells and Mrs. S. H. Field.

Grace C. S. Field  
Secretary Pro. Tem.

The Sept. meeting of the "Other" Club was held this afternoon, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at the home of Mrs. Eva Parsons with an audience of nine members and one guest.

The meeting opened with the usual devotional service led by Mrs. Brown who first read the 120<sup>th</sup> psalm. This was followed by the Benedic, repeated by the members.

On the business of the meeting, Mrs. Spink Shifford reported that Mrs. Eva Wickism served as meeting president. The report of the meeting was read and accepted.

A note from Mrs. Drayton was read thanking the Club for the note of sympathy sent her.

The roll was then called, the members responding with their names. The article from the "Literary magazine, in the "Will the Moon in  
the Water in College", was read by Mrs. Dickinson.

Mrs. Brown read three articles, "Shopping in the Soviet Union", "The Customer is Always Right" and "By Cleaning and Diving. A general discussion of the articles read followed, particularly those articles relating to Russia and the dangers of Communism.

Mrs. Brown announced that the next meeting of the Club will be held at the home of Mrs. Eva Wickism with Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Weston serving as assisting hostess.

Reading will be given by Mrs. Spink and Mrs. Shifford.

The members were invited to remain for a social hour and refreshments which were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Damon and Mrs. Brown.

Eva M. Wickism, Sec. Pro-Tem.

The October meeting of the Mothers' Club was held Sunday afternoon, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at the home of Mrs. Eva F. Erickson with eight members present.

President Mrs. Brown opened the meeting with a short devotional service, reading from the Book of James, the fifth chapter, from the 8-12 verses. The Lord's Prayer was then repeated in unison followed by a hymn with Mrs. Brown at the piano.

Mrs. Eva F. Erickson after having been appointed secretary pro-tem, read the records of the September meeting. These were approved as read.

The roll was then called to which the members responded with miscellaneous items.

An article entitled "Minister's Wife" was read by Mrs. Sprink. A discussion of this very interesting article followed.

Mrs. Brown read three articles - "And Sudden Death"; "Has Ethiopia a chance" and "They Couldn't Wait for Better Times".

The Club was invited by Mrs. Sprink to meet at her home for the November meeting, at which time Mrs. Eva F. Erickson will serve as one of the visiting hostesses and Mrs. Brown will give a reading.

After thanking all those who took part in the meeting, Mrs. Brown brought the meeting to a close, the members remaining for social time and refreshments which were served by the hostess and hospital committee. Mrs. Brown will act as hostess.

The December meeting of the club is now over and was held at the home of Mrs. Amy Spark on the afternoon of Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> with an attendance of 12 members and one guest.

The meeting was opened by the President, Mrs. Lucy Brown, with the usual brief devotional service. A prayer "General Thanksgiving" was read in unison, followed by a hymn and the Lord's Prayer. Mrs. Brown also read an old poetic version of part of the 107<sup>th</sup> Psalm.

The records of the last meeting were read by the secretary, and approved. The roll-call followed, members responding with current news items and forms. A very attractive framed picture of the famous Sioux gun triplets, always a subject of interest in the meetings but now also exhibited at this time by Mrs. Lucy.

Mrs. Parsons then read two amusing articles entitled, "What the Little Girl Said", and "A Woman's Pocket". This was followed by the reading of two interesting articles from the Reader's Digest by Mrs. Brown entitled, "Breakfast - Old Style" and "Our Sweet Home on Wheels". A newspaper item was also read - Mrs. Pickwickian relative to the recent discovery of a human <sup>body</sup> periscope, of great help to doctors in internal explorations and diagnosis of disease.

The matter of the December Christmas meeting was brought up by the President and after general discussion it was voted to hold this meeting with Mrs. Stefford if she is able to have it, postponing it from Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> to <sup>Thurs</sup> ~~Fri~~, the 12<sup>th</sup>, and if not, to hold it with Mrs. Brown on Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup>. Each member was asked to bring the customary 10 cent Christmas gift. The following members were appointed to serve on the hospitality committee, - Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Farley, Mrs. Pickwickian and Mrs. Brown. Mrs. Amy was asked to give a reading.

Mrs. Brown then thanked all members who had taken part in the meeting, and after adjournment, a social time was enjoyed, refreshments being served by the hostess and hospitality committee, Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Sa. Hishman. Grace C. Stefford. Sec.

The December Christmas meeting of the Mother Club was held at the home of Mrs. Steffield on the afternoon of December 1<sup>st</sup>. There were 15 members, 6 guests and 16 children present.

The president Mrs. Brown, opened the meeting. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm and the Lord's Prayer were repeated in unison.

The secretary then read the report of the last meeting which was approved. This was followed by the reading of an interesting article by Mrs. ... , entitled "Christmas Weeks in New York", written by Mary Pickford.

The secretary then called the roll, many responding in the appropriate Christmas terms or poems. A very pleasing story entitled "Bright as a Christmas Tree" was read by Mrs. Arvey. This terminated the business session of the meeting.

During the social hour which followed, Mrs. Anna Chase Spur gathered the children about her, and delightfully entertained all present by telling a beautiful Christmas story entitled "This is Christmas". The story emphasizes the idea that Christmas is not all Santa Claus and Christmas gifts and merriment, but is for all the Christ child, who wants us to help him celebrate Christmas by helping the less fortunate than ourselves.

Harold Farley then acted as Santa Claus and distributed gifts to each one present from a prettily decorated and lighted Christmas tree, this part of the Christmas meeting always being especially enjoyed by all.

Refections were then served by Mrs. Steffield and the assisting hostesses Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Wells and Mrs. Pickering.

Mrs. Brown thanked all who helped to make the Christmas meeting such an enjoyable one, and announced that the next meeting on Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> would be held at her home, with Mrs. Arvey and Mrs. Steers as assisting hostesses, and asked Mrs. Steffield to continue with the reading of the book "Sandwich".

Grace C. Steffield, Secretary.

1936.

The first meeting of the Mother's Club of the new year 1936 was held at the home of the president, Mrs. Lucy Brown on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Eight members, 2 guests and 2 children were present.

The meeting was opened by the president who read the 70<sup>th</sup> Psalm. This was followed by the singing of two verses of the hymn, "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind", Mrs. Hollins, a guest, kindly accompanying at the piano.

The report of the December meeting was read by the secretary, and approved. The roll-call followed, members responding in the miscellaneous items. A note of thanks from Mrs. Stanton Fleming for a note of sympathy sent her at the time of her husband's death.

Mrs. Brown read an interesting article from "The Reader's Digest" written by U. S. Senator Bennett Champ Clark of Missouri, entitled "Let 'em Around War". Would that all who are instrumental in bringing about war would take this action!

Mrs. Sheffield then resumed the reading of a book "Sandick", which will be completed next month.

The president thanked all who had taken part in the meeting, and announced that the next meeting on Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, would be held at the home of Mrs. Avery, with Mrs. Spink and Mrs. Steens acting as co-hostesses.

The serving of refreshments by Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Avery brought a pleasant afternoon to a close. Mrs. Ritchie, altho not able to be present, acted as co-hostess with Mrs. Avery.

Grace C. Sheffield, Secretary.

The February meeting of the Mothers' Club was held at the home of Mrs. Army on Thursday afternoon, February 6<sup>th</sup>, with an attendance of nine members, one guest and two children.

The president, Mrs. Brown, opened the meeting and read the first five verses of the 71<sup>st</sup> Psalm. This was followed by the singing of two verses of the beautiful hymn "The Lord that will not let us go," in the Mrs. Spink at the piano.

The records of the last meeting were then read by the secretary and approved, followed by the roll-call, members responding, as usual, in the miscellaneous items.

Mrs. Gladys Stock then read a short but interesting little story entitled "The Hand" by Rose Sante. This was followed by an amusing article from the Reader's Digest, read by Mrs. Brown, and entitled "Is there a Scarcity of Good husbands?"

Mrs. Sheffield then completed the reading of the book "Sandrik" by Olga Schubikova.

Mrs. Brown thanked all who had taken part in the meeting, and announced that the next meeting would be held at the home of Mrs. Sheffield, with Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ and Mrs. Era Dickinson acting as co-hostesses.

The meeting was then brought to a close and a social hour followed, during which time refreshments were served by Mrs. Spink and Mrs. Steen, who acted as co-hostesses in the Mrs. Army.

Grace C. Sheffield, Secretary.

The March meeting of the Morris Club was held at the home of Mrs. Sheffield on the afternoon of the 5<sup>th</sup>, with nine members, three children, and one guest present.

The President, Mrs. Brown, opened the meeting and read the eighth verse of the 34<sup>th</sup> Psalm from a book entitled "Daily Food". This was followed by the Lord's Prayer. The secretary then read the records of the last meeting which were approved. Interesting responses to the roll-call were given by the members, especially a poem about Mt. Quabbin and Enfield written by Mr. Samuel Biddle, and read by Mrs. Stock.

Mrs. Sabot read an amusing and entertaining story by Mrs. Wilson, entitled "Longies", telling of the trials of a young man in the throes of the growing-up process.

Mrs. Sheffield read a poem given her by Mrs. Edwin H. Dow, entitled "It was Somebody's Birthday", looking into the future and telling of an amusing episode happening on the 21<sup>st</sup> birthday of the world famous "Gumus".

Mrs. Brown read two interesting articles from the "Leader's Digest"; one entitled "To Meet Mr. 10,001", having to do with the identification of criminals, and the other "Amateur Hour", telling of Major Bowers and the work he is doing with amateur artists.

Mrs. Brown thanked all who had taken part in the meeting and announced that the April meeting would be held at her home, with Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Heidel acting as co-hostesses.

A social hour followed the closing of the meeting and refreshments were served by Mrs. Sheffield and the co-hostesses, Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Eva Wickes.

Grace C. Sheffield, secy.

The April meeting of the mothers' club was held at the home of Mrs. Walter Brown on the afternoon of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, with seven members, one died and one guest present.

The President, Mrs. Brown, opened the meeting and read the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm. This was followed by the Lord's Prayer, and the singing of a hymn. The secretary's report of the last meeting was read and accepted. Interesting articles were read by the members in response to the roll-call.

Mrs. Brown asked all to be present at the next meeting if possible and to broadcast it as much as possible, as urgent business was to be brought up.

Mrs. Avery read an article entitled "Miracle Radio has Worked" by Caroline Hoyt.

Three interesting articles from the Readers Digest were read by Mrs. Brown, entitled "Grandma in the Movies"; "Gentlemen Prefer—" and "The Good Neighbor", adapted from Jane Adams of Hull House.

Mrs. Brown said that the place of the next meeting would be announced later, with Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Stock acting as co-hostesses. Mrs. Phoebe Wickinson was asked to read some article.

A social hour followed, and refreshments were served by Mrs. Brown and the co-hostesses, Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Heide.

Lura Parsons.

Sec'y Pro-Tem.

The May meeting of the Mother's Club was held on the afternoon of Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup>, at the home of the president, Mrs. Brown, in the nine members and two children present.

The president opened the meeting and read the 105<sup>th</sup> psalm. This was followed by the Lord's Prayer, and the singing of one verse of "My Faith Looks Up to Thee". The secretary read the report of the last meeting, and it was accepted. Miscellaneous responses were given to the roll-call, and brief discussions were enjoyed. Mrs. Brown asked the members to discuss the advisability of continuing with the present Mother's Club or passing it on to the younger mothers of the town. Discussion in general followed, and then a written vote was taken on the matter, Mrs. Plowick Dickey and Mrs. Sabot acting as tellers. All present were in favor of continuing with the present Mother's Club. The president then appointed Mrs. Spink as a committee of one to interview the young mothers of the town to see if they would like to join in the, or start a club of their own.

Mrs. Brown then appointed on a nominating committee, Mrs. Kitchie, Mrs. Steen and Mrs. Sheffield.

Mrs. Plowick Dickey gave a beautiful reading entitled "A Flower for my Mother" by Clementine Paddiford, in honor of Mother's Day.

Mrs. Brown read an article from the Reader's Digest entitled "Parents Who Know Their Psychology". Following this she thanked all who had taken part in the previous discussion and in the meeting in general. It was announced that the next meeting would be held in the Mrs. Gladys Stock, with Mrs. Spink and Mrs. Sheffield acting as co-hostesses.

A social hour followed, and refreshments were served by Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Stock.

Grace C. Sheffield, Secy.

The June meeting of the mothers' club was held at the home of Mrs. Spink the afternoon of the 4th, with the President Mrs. Brown presiding, and seven members and one guest present.

Following the opening of the meeting, the General Thanksgiving was read by all, and the Indi Prayer repeated in unison. The Secretary then read the report of the previous meeting, which was accepted.

The President then called for the report of the nominating committee. This was given by Mrs. Shepherd as follows: -

President	Mrs. Helia Army.	(Mrs. Gladys Stock)
1st Vice-President	Mrs. Army Spink.	Directors: Mrs. Eva Dickinson
Secretary	Mrs. Ivey Brown.	(Mrs. Leila Damon)

Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Sabot acted as tellers and all officers so named above were unanimously elected.

The secretary then called the roll, and those present responded in the various terms of interest.

The President asked Mrs. Spink to report on the result of her visits to the young mothers of town with regard to their interest in joining the mothers' club. Mrs. Spink reported that several young mothers had been approached who said they would like to come to the meetings, but did not want to take their babies, and they found it difficult to find anyone to stay with the children at home. Some thought they could come in the evening if they had a baby of their own.

Mrs. Brown read three very interesting articles from the "Leader's Digest" entitled, "A Modern Miracle", "Our 21st Century School" and "Little Goddess of the Screen". Mrs. Brown transcribed all three and copied in in a copy during the year and Mrs. Army spoke briefly of the work of the coming year. The meeting was then adjourned and during the social hour that followed Mrs. Spink served delicious tea, cookies and lemon, created by the co-hostesses Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Shepherd.

Gran C. Shepherd, Secretary.

1931-1937

The first meeting of the Mother's Club for the year 1936-1937 was held Thursday afternoon September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1936 at the home of the newly elected president Mrs. Delia Avery, with an attendance of six members and one guest.

The meeting was called to order by the president Mrs. Avery, and the Pledge was read in unison followed by the Lord's Prayer, after which a short business meeting was held. President called for a record of last meeting. This was read by secretary and stood approved as read.

Under new business came the following. Should a picnic be held, the subject was well discussed, and a motion was made & seconded we have a picnic, to be held at Mt. Grace on the 16<sup>th</sup> weather permitting, but if it may be held the 23<sup>rd</sup> it was a vote, and the following committee was appointed by president to look after the arrangements Mrs. Herbert Shink, Mrs. Samuel Pettingill and all were to be requested to take their own lunch in place of soliciting for separate articles of food.

President then asked for a motion on closing

the day of meeting from first Thursday in the month to the first Wednesday. Motion was made & seconded this change be made it was a vote unanimous.

Poll call was responded to by members present with miscellaneous items.

The following articles from the "Reader Digest" were read by Mrs Eva Dickinson, "Beware of the Dog," by Albert Payson Terhune, "Acerice's Texas Bachelor," and "God Minded," by Cornelia Otis Skinner.

Mrs Doty president, then gave a paper to each member present, and requested them to write the numbers from top to bottom of the paper from 1 to 25 inclusive, she then said each number would represent a question in her possession, & we could right down an answer to each number after which she asked the question, & each member read their answer causing much mirth & merriment, after which she asked unanimous.

This concluded the entertainment.

President then asked Mrs Satt to give a reading at the October meeting and announced the next meeting would be with

Mrs. Eva Dickinson and abominated more think  
as Co-Hostess.

Meeting adjourned for a social hour  
with delicious refreshments served by  
Mrs. Tammie & Mrs. Avery.

Dixy L. Brownley.

Delicious refreshments were then served by the hostess.

Wednesday  
Oct. 7, 1936

At a meeting of the Mothers Club held Oct. 7, 1936, at the home of Mrs. Eva Dickinson, there was an attendance of 8 members. Mrs. Avery, President opened the meeting with the reading of "Psalms", followed with the solo "Prayer Song" from the Interim hymnal. Mrs. Ladd and mother of member Mrs. Farnum gave motion of next meeting being Nov. 4 and asked for a suitable meeting place. The said she intended an invitation to meet in her home. Mrs. Lucy Brown was appointed to contact and should anything happen to prevent Mrs. Heidel from having this meeting at her home the order of things were to be reversed & Mrs. Brown would have them. Mrs. Spink was asked to furnish a reading at the next meeting.

Poll call was then responded to by the members with a miscellaneous answer. Mrs. Davis read from the Ladies Home Journal an article entitled "Let's Interact" by Anna Gilbowan. Mrs. Avery then read from the Radio News an article about the Christopher Harting, then advised to bed early, as it was to be a long night.

Very truly yours,  
Mrs. Lucy Brown, Pres.

At a meeting of the Mothers Club held  
Wednesday afternoon Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1936.  
in the home of <sup>Mrs</sup> Geneva B. Hidel there was  
an attendance of 9 members and our guest  
Mrs Avery President opened the meeting with  
reading in unison the "General Thanksgiving"  
on the Mother's Hymnal and song \* 12 from  
the same book "My Faith Looks up to Thee".  
Secretary records of previous meeting called for and  
read by Secy. stood approved as read.  
President announced the next meeting would  
be the Christmas meeting & would be held  
in the home of Mrs Sieffield Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> with  
Mrs Wells, Mrs Weston, and Mrs Phoebe  
Dickinson as assisting hostesses, Mrs Phoebe  
Dickinson was asked to furnish a reading  
for the Dec. meeting. The President then  
asked each member to bring a 10<sup>th</sup> gift for the  
tree at the Christmas Party. A reading from  
the Readers Digest, "New England Comes  
Back" was read by the president. "So they talk of  
War" from Good Housekeeping by Mrs Brown  
and "A Reasonable Hour" from the Household  
Magazine and "Granny Churn's Crazy House"  
by Mrs Spink.

The President then thanked all present for their hearty cooperation in making the meeting a success. Meeting then closed and a social hour followed, at which Mrs Hurdle and Mrs Brown served refreshments of sandwiches cake and tea.

Inez L. Brown secy

At a meeting of the "Mothers Club" held Wednesday afternoon Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 1936. in home of Mrs Grace Suffield there was an attendance of 12 members & 27 guests it being the annual Christmas party and Christmas tree, for the mothers and children. President Mrs Avery called the meeting to order and read from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chapter of Matthew the first 12 verses. The Lord's Prayer was then repeated by all present. Song #1 from Mother's Song Book. "Hark The Herald Angel Sings" was sung. The secretary's records were read and adopted as read.

The president Mrs Avery then announced the meeting January 6<sup>th</sup> would be held with Mrs Walter Brown and Mrs Stock as assistant hostess, and that Mrs Richard Dickinson would read upon that date as Mrs Suffield was to read this afternoon in place of Mrs Dickinson. Roll was then called and all members responded with either a Christmas selection or an item of interest.

Reading Mrs Suffield "A Comfort to Anna" which was a truly Christmas story. Mrs Avery read a short article entitled "Why the Climes Sang"

which was the name of the Christmas play soon  
to be given in Town Hall by the public school  
children. Meeting then adjourned for a social  
hour and Christmas party, with distribution of  
gifts to those present from a well decorated  
Christmas tree, Mrs Anna Spurr read a  
story to the children present, intitled  
"A Merry Christmas" which was enjoyed  
by all, After which tea and cake refresh-  
ments were served by the hostesses, Mrs Shifford  
Mrs Hells, Mrs Weston, & Mrs Theodore Dickinson.

Inez L. Brown secy

1937

At a meeting of the Mothers Club held  
Wednesday afternoon Jan. 6 1937. In the home  
of Mrs Walter L. Brown, there was an attendance  
of 8 members, this being the first meeting  
of 1937.

Meeting was called to order by the president  
Mrs Delia Avery who opened meeting with  
a song from the Mothers Hymnal entitled  
"Our Children" and sung to the tune of  
"My Faith looks up to Thee" and the Lord's Prayer  
repeated in unison. Mrs Marsh presided  
at the piano.

Under new business the president <sup>Feb 3</sup> asked  
for a meeting place for the next meeting and  
Mrs Marsh kindly offered her home for the  
meeting, and Mrs Grace Sheffield was  
appointed assistant hostess.

Roll Call was responded to with miscellaneous  
items. Mrs Avery then read a story, "Holy  
Night" sent by Mrs Phoebe Dickinson.

Two <sup>mental</sup> games were then presented by the  
president, "Betty makes Coffee" and the  
second one State Abbreviations which  
certainly was good for refreshing ~~the~~ memory.  
along the lines of geography.

Records of last meeting called for  
stated approved as read.

Meeting then closed, and the hostess  
Mrs Inez L. Brown, assistant hostess  
Mrs Gladys Stock served gingerbread and  
whipped cream to the members with tea and  
coffee.

Inez L. Brown sig.

A regular meeting of the "Motives Club" held Saturday evening Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> at the home of Mr. Burton March, with ten members present. Mr. Dow of the president called the meeting, - The meeting opened with reading of "Takau I" and repeating the Lord's Prayer all in unison, after which song He sang two Mottoes by name, viz., "God is Good and Justice Prevails."

Recd. of previous meeting read by Mr. Dow of our club, approved.

Under new business the president announced that there was to be the first "Motives Buffet" at Boston, and that the meeting for March 3<sup>rd</sup> would be held at the home of Mr. Buffet and admitted free. The club's stock as visiting Boston, president then asked in March present at this meeting.

At the roll call miscellaneous questions were given by the members.

Mr. Dow read an article entitled "Bright Ideas at Training" by Kevy Ford. Meeting was then closed Mr. president thanking all for their part in the meeting.

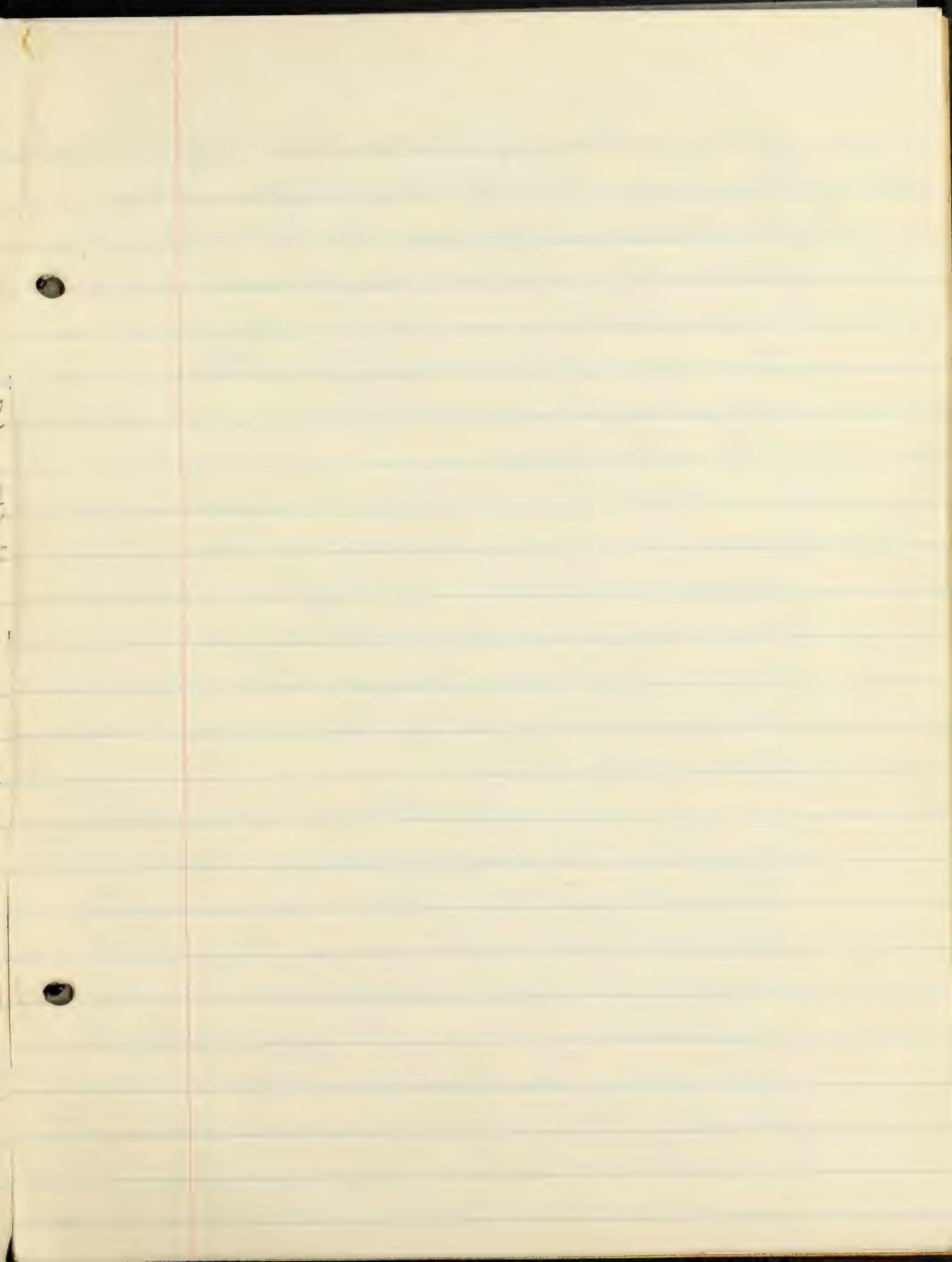
Each guest made their bid their fortune  
tell by a guess, by the name of the General  
which was very amusing. A  
social hour followed after which  
Mrs. March & Mrs. Stetson Boston wood  
most delicious refreshment with tea.

May 2. Brown Recy.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1937.

The Mother's Club met at the home of Mrs. Sheppard with 6 members present, the meeting opened with the president reading from the Bible, 1st Pet. chap. 16 and all joined in the Lord's prayer. Mrs. Damon was chosen to fill the vacant place. The roll was called, all answered with several interesting responses. We are to meet with Mrs. Avery for our April meeting, if no better place is offered. Mrs. Damon is to help the hostess on refreshments, and Mrs. Pastor was asked to read for us. Mrs. French read a short story for us and "not pretty but good natured" written by Faye Langeller Mitchell. After our meeting we all enjoyed games and refreshments. And lovely refreshments were served by Mrs. Lippert & Mrs. Gladys Stock.

Mrs. Damon Secy pro tem.



At a meeting of the "Mother's Club" held in the home of the President Mrs Assey Wednesday afternoon April 7<sup>th</sup> 1937. The following program was given.

Reading in unison the "General Thanksgiving" on back of Mother's Hymnal and song 20 from the same book, repeating of the Lord's Prayer.

President then asked for a place of meeting for May meeting. Mrs Daffid & Mrs Skink both offered and as they were to be the hostess for that afternoon it was left for them to decide which should extend the use of their home for the meeting.

Mr Brown was asked to speak at the May meeting. There were 8 members present all responding to roll call with short items. Mrs Sabot read a story under the big leaf of menu "poor old Tom's Home" Journal by Booth Tarkington. The president thanked all present for their services to make the meeting a success. Meeting then closed and a quieting game was played with a paper pinned on back

Each member this contained the name  
of a radio star & sentences were then told  
from <sup>by</sup> a Chinese method. The hostess  
was very & their dinner was the usual  
Chinese refreshments of sandwiches &  
cake with tea.

Denz L. Brown Secy.

A regular meeting of the "Mothers Club" was held in the home of Mrs Amy Spink May 5<sup>th</sup> 1937. Meeting called to order by the President Mrs Avery with the following program. Song #2 from "Mothers Hymnal" reading of the General Thanksgiving by me and recitation of Lord's Prayer. Records of the previous meeting were read and approved as per t.

President then announced the next meeting which was the annual meeting would be held with Mrs Gladys Stock on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and appointed Mrs Phoebe Dickinson and Mrs Eva Dickinson as Co-hostesses.

The president then appointed the following persons as a nominating committee Mrs Amy Spink, Mrs Gladys Stock and Mrs Eva Dickinson. At the poll call members responded with miscellaneous items and Mrs Spink gave a very interesting and instructive talk on arranging gifts of flowers. Mrs Brown read two articles from the "Teacher Digest" "Read before you Crash" & "Hero Hunters".

President then thanked all present who had  
assisted in any way to make the meeting  
a success. Refreshments were then served  
after which delicious refreshments of  
fruit salad, rolls, cake & tea were served  
by Mrs. Spink.

Inez L. Brown Secy.

A regular meeting of the "Mother's Club" was held in the home of Mrs Gladys Stock on the afternoon of Wednesday June 2, 1937. Mrs Delia Avery president of the club presided, meeting was called to order by the president and song 22 from Mother's Hymnal was sung followed with reading of the 121 Psalm and repeating of the Lord's Prayer. 17 members and 2 guests were present. There being no old business to complete new business was then taken up and the report of the nominating committee called for. Mrs Amy Spink chairman of this com. reported a lack of success in obtaining the new officers, and suggested that nominations be made from the floor. Motion made & seconded we put this suggestion to a vote after a liberal discussion discussion of all connected with the club and still no member being willing to assume the duties of President or Secretary it was brought out to disband no motion was made & seconded that Mother's Club disband, it was a vote. The matter of having a picnic this year was then discussed at some length and

it was finally agreed we have a picnic this year on June 8" if fair if weather was foul, to hold it the 15" and that it would be held at the Potter residence, it was a vote. Motion was made & seconded all bring their dinners & meet at above place between twelve and one o'clock p.m. Meeting then closed with a contest on guessing of advertisements which we see in the magazines. Delicious refreshments of sandwiches & cake with tea were then served by the hostess Mrs Stock and her two assistants Mrs Richard Dickinson & Mrs Edward S. Dickinson.

Thus we bring the "Mothers Club" of Enfield Mass. to a close after nearly 30 years of active service.

Inez L. Brown secy.

Minnie M. Gross

Amy W. Spink

Josephine L. Pitts

Elizabeth E. Pitcher

Helia B. Avery

Charlotte L. Hunt

Natalie N. Hardy

Blanche E. Kimball

Phoebe N. Dickinson

Laura E. Weston

Ruth A. Hause

Gertrude W. Stalbird

Bertha D. Marsh



